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# Uncompensated Care

- Approximately 9% of Iowans are without health care coverage
- The inability to pay for services does not mean that individuals do not receive care
- Access to health care occurs at:
  - Physician offices (charity care costs not available)
  - Hospitals (\$344M\*)
  - Safety Net Providers (Free Clinics, Rural Health Clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers)

\*Iowa Hospital Association

# Access To Health Care

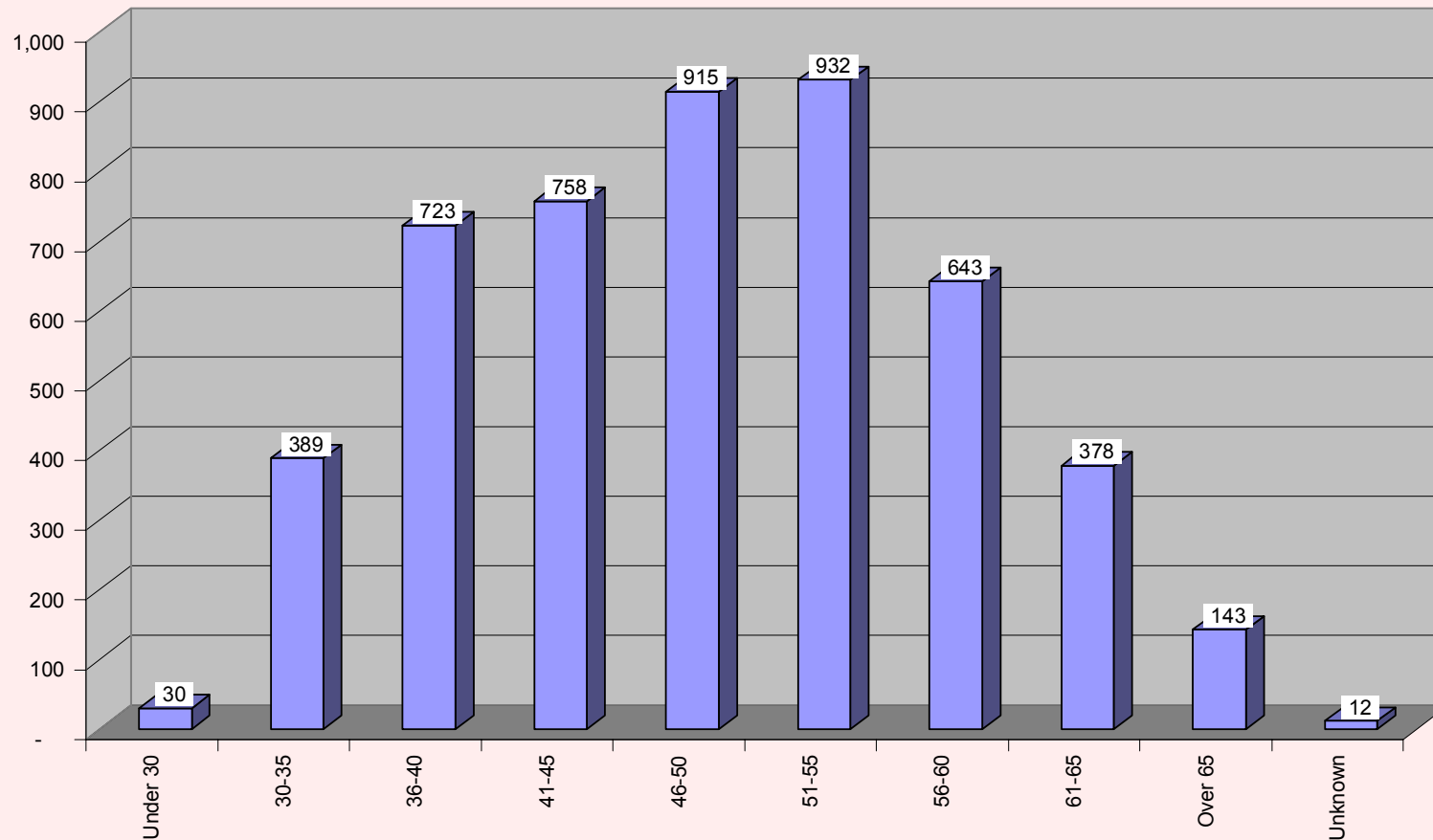
Iowa Ranks 44<sup>th</sup> in the nation in the number of physicians (MD and DO) to population\*

Specialty	Persons per Physician	Rank
Allergy & Immunology	113,633	34
Anatomic/Clinical Pathology	19,310	21
Anesthesiology	8,872	35
Cardiovascular Disease	19,310	39
Child & Adolescent Psychiatry	75,755	41
Dermatology	39,393	39
Diagnostic Radiology/Radiology	11,451	44
Emergency Medicine	18,465	50
<b>Family Medicine/General Practice</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>6</b>
Forensic Pathology	590,890	14
General Surgery	9,379	41
Internal Medicine	4,092	48
Neurological Surgery	105,516	50
Neurology	27,612	34
Obstetrics & Gynecology	12,572	50
Occupational Medicine	184,653	29
Ophthalmology	19,185	33
Orthopedic Surgery	14,699	46
Otolaryngology	28,965	19
Pediatrics	8,230	47
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation	128,454	50
Plastic Surgery	113,633	49
Psychiatry	13,073	44
Pulmonary Disease	43,448	39
Urology	36,030	46

\*Note that a ranking of "1" is the most favorable ranking of physicians per population and "51" is least favorable.

# Available Physicians by Age

Iowa Physician Population by Age, October 2006



# Physician Demand by Medical Specialty 2005

	HRSA National Base Year 2000	National Projected Demand 2005	*Iowa Projected Demand 2005	Iowa Actual 2005	Percent of Demand
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>756,100</b>	<b>802,100</b>	<b>8,029</b>	<b>7,374</b>	<b>92%</b>
<b>Total Non-patient Care</b>	<b>42,200</b>	<b>44,800</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>1,605</b>	<b>358%</b>
<b>Total Patient Care</b>	<b>713,800</b>	<b>757,300</b>	<b>7,581</b>	<b>5,769</b>	<b>76%</b>
<b>Primary Care</b>	<b>267,100</b>	<b>281,800</b>	<b>2,821</b>	<b>2,609</b>	<b>92%</b>
General & Family Practice	107,700	113,900	1,140	1,531	134%
General Internal Medicine	107,500	115,000	1,151	715	62%
General Pediatrics	51,900	52,900	530	363	69%
<b>Non-primary Care</b>	<b>446,800</b>	<b>475,500</b>	<b>4,760</b>	<b>3,160</b>	<b>66%</b>
<b>Medical Specialties</b>	<b>86,400</b>	<b>93,000</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>44%</b>
Cardiology	20,600	22,200	222	156	70%
**Other Internal Medicine	65,900	70,800	709	256	36%
<b>Surgical Specialties</b>	<b>159,400</b>	<b>169,000</b>	<b>1,692</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>73%</b>
General Surgery	39,100	41,700	417	317	76%
Obstetrics & Gynecology	41,500	43,100	431	241	56%
Ophthalmology	18,400	19,700	197	157	80%
Orthopedic Surgery	24,100	25,600	256	209	82%
Other Surgery	16,200	17,400	174	118	68%
Otorhinolaryngology	9,800	10,300	103	105	102%
Urology	10,400	11,100	111	88	79%
<b>Other Specialties</b>	<b>200,900</b>	<b>213,500</b>	<b>2,137</b>	<b>1,513</b>	<b>71%</b>
Anesthesiology	37,800	40,200	402	337	84%
Emergency Medicine	26,300	27,600	276	168	61%
Pathology	17,200	18,400	184	146	79%
Psychiatry	38,300	40,700	407	215	53%
Radiology	30,900	32,900	329	252	77%
***Other Specialties	50,400	53,700	538	395	73%

Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) *Physician Supply and Demand: Projections to 2020, October 2006*; American Medical Association *Physician Characteristics and Distribution in the U.S., 2007 Edition*; American Osteopathic Association; U.S. Census Bureau

\* Iowa projected demand is 1.001% of projected national demand. Percent is based on Iowa's 2005 population being 1.001% of total U.S. population in 2005.

\*\* Other Internal Medicine includes: allergy/immunology, dermatology, gastroenterology, pediatric cardiology, pulmonary diseases

\*\*\* Other Specialties includes: aerospace medicine, child psychiatry, forensic pathology, general preventive medicine, medical genetics, neurology, nuclear medicine, occupational medicine, public health & general preventive medicine, physical medicine & rehabilitation, radiation oncology, transplant surgery, other and unspecified

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# Current Residency Programs

Specialty	Number of Openings Per Year	Number of Programs	Number of Residents Enrolled
1. Anesthesiology	10	1	50
2. Dermatology	4 or 5*	1	13
3. Emergency Medicine	7 or 8*	1	19
4. Family Medicine	64	9	181
5. Internal Medicine	33	2	102
6. Neurological Surgery	2	1	11
7. Neurology	5	1	20
8. Nuclear Medicine	1	1	3
9. Obstetrics & Gynecology	4	1	16
10. Ophthalmology	5	1	15
11. Orthopaedic Surgery	6	1	28
12. Otolaryngology	5	1	25
13. Pathology	5	1	20
14. Pediatrics	18	2	55
15. Preventive Medicine	3	1	5
16. Psychiatry	9 to 11*	1	35
17. Radiation Oncology	2	1	5
18. Radiology – Diagnostic	8 or 9*	1	32
19. Surgery – General	15	3	62
20. Urology	3	1	16
21. Other: Transitional Year	8	2	8

\*Depends on the number of residents finishing that year

# Health Care Infrastructure

## Physician Groups Examining Workforce Issues

- IMS is launching a Task Force on Iowa's Health Care Infrastructure in April
- Iowa Academy of Family Physicians
- Iowa Psychiatric Society
- University of Iowa

*“What do we need in Iowa to attract and keep physicians here?”*

# Physician Recruitment and Retention Factors

## The Practice Environment

- Reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid and private payors
- Quality of Life – time spent with family vs. on-call
- Distribution of physicians in Iowa – clustered in specific areas
- Use of satellite clinics in Iowa
- Public Health funding and impact access for the under- and uninsured



# Committed to Finding the Answers

## The Iowa Medical Society Core Purpose

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